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Executive

Report of decision taken under Urgency Procedure

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Summary London Councils' urgency procedure was used to secure a decision

on: RSA Growth Commission

Recommendations The Executive is asked to note the decision taken under the urgency

procedure.

London CIV resources and budget

Background

The <u>RSA Inclusive Growth</u> Commission follows on from the Cities Growth Commission, which concluded in 2015.

The 12 month independent inquiry aims to 'understand and identify practical ways to make local economies across the UK more economically inclusive and prosperous', and is chaired by former BBC economics editor Stephanie Flanders. The commission will seek to 'devise new models for place-based growth, which enable the widest range of people to participate fully in, and benefit from, the growth of their local area'.

The interim report can be found here. It set out a series of recommendations focused on:

- Integrating economic and social policy
- Devolution that is social as well as economic
- More funding to support inclusive growth at a local level
- Prioritising prevention and early intervention.

Summary

London Councils is one of the sponsors for the Commission, and has been involved in the ongoing research and engagement process o the Commission, including facilitating a 'deep dive' event in Barking and Dagenham

As part of their wider research the RSA are carrying out a call for evidence to feed in to their final report on what makes inclusive growth.

Recommendations

 Elected Officers of Leaders' Committee were asked to agree the London Councils submission by close of business on Wednesday 21st December 2016. The Urgency was approved.